

1                                   **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
2                                   **FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO**

3 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

4           **Plaintiff,**

5           **v.**

6 **COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO,**  
7 **et al.,**

8           **Defendants.**

**CIVIL NO. 3:12-cv-02039-GAG.**

9                                   **AMENDED SCHEDULING ORDER:**

10           As previously advanced in the Preliminary Scheduling Order (Docket No. 468) of  
11 January 20, 2017, the First Public Court Hearing in this case is set for **Friday, February 24,**  
12 **2017 at 9:00 a.m.** at the 5<sup>th</sup> floor courtroom of the José V. Toledo U.S. Courthouse in Old San  
13 Juan. It is the intention of this Court that any and all issues or matters related to the present  
14 Amended Scheduling Order and any other housekeeping matters, be discussed prior to the  
15 commencement of the Public Hearing through the proper channels.

16           The objective of the upcoming Public Hearing is for the present administration to inform  
17 the Court about the state affairs in all matters related to this case, as well as to inform the public  
18 on the progress of the implementation of the Sustainable Reform of the Puerto Rico Police  
19 Department (Reform). For any new participant in the scheduling Public Hearing, the Court  
20 wishes to **stress** that the said Hearing is not adversary in nature. The primary objective is that  
21 the change in administration in Puerto Rico's Government does not affect in any way the  
22 advancement of the implementation of the Reform.

1 Like every past Public Hearing, this Hearing will be open to the general public, students,  
2 interested parties and members of the community who wish to attend. An exclusive area has  
3 been reserved for media and guest speakers. However, due to the Courtroom's limited seating  
4 capacity, **those who wish to attend must confirm their assistance by contacting the office of**  
5 **Mr. Alfredo Castellanos Bayouth, Constitutional Legal Advisor to the Technical**  
6 **Compliance Advisor, at (787)-641-8447.** Groups that may require special assistance should  
7 also contact Mr. Castellanos. Any procedural and logistic matters must be addressed to Mr.  
8 Alfredo Castellanos as well. **THE COURT REQUESTS THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC**  
9 **ARRIVE AN HOUR PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE HEARING SO**  
10 **THAT AN ORDERLY SECURITY PROCESS CAN ASSIST THE COURT IN**  
11 **COMMENCING AT THE SCHEDULED TIME.**

12 The Court welcomes and expects the participation of the newly confirmed Secretary of  
13 Justice, the Honorable Wanda Vázquez Garced during the course of the Public Hearing. The  
14 Court further expects the attendance and participation of the Puerto Rico Police Associate  
15 Superintendent, Mr. Ricardo J. Martínez. Also, prior to the Hearing the Governor of Puerto  
16 Rico, Hon. Ricardo Rosselló must appoint a Governor's Personal Representative (GPR) to  
17 participate in the same as well as in all matters related to the present case. The GPR will be  
18 responsible for keeping the Governor directly informed of issues regarding the Reform.

19 The Court wishes to remind the parties and participants that it expects a sense of genuine  
20 collaboration between the parties during the Hearing. The Court intends on adhering to the  
21 scheduled itinerary with **rigor**, and exhorts all panelists to focus their respective testimonies to  
22 matters concerning the Reform, **and their allotted time for participation.** With the intent of  
23 advancing the involvement of the community in the process of the Reform, any additional  
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1 comments, concerns and/or suggestions that the speakers may not be allowed to express due to  
2 time constraints, as well as other third non-participant invitees, may be submitted in written form  
3 to the attention of the Office of the TCA, by sending an email to Mr. Castellanos, at  
4 alfredo@cglawpr.com, prior to or following the celebration of the hearing. The Court  
5 encourages all participants to also submit their written statements prior to the Hearing to Mr.  
6 Castellanos.

7 Finally, the Court instructs the TCA and Mr. Alfredo Castellanos Bayouth, to deliver a  
8 copy of the present order to all scheduled panelists, The Clerk's Office for the United States  
9 District Court for the District of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Marshal, and any other individual that the  
10 TCA and Mr. Castellanos may deem necessary for purposes of the Hearing. The Court alerts the  
11 parties, that if need be, the Court will order the participation of any other person that is deemed  
12 necessary for purposes of answering all relevant questions that may be raised during the course  
13 of the Public Hearing. The Court notifies the parties that a final scheduling order is currently  
14 being prepared and will be made available to the public and parties in interest promptly.

15 **SO ORDERED.**

16 In San Juan, Puerto Rico this 25th of January 2017.

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18 */s/ Gustavo A. Gelpí*  
19 GUSTAVO A. GELPÍ  
20 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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